

## PATHFINDERS PASS THROUGH THIS CITY

ARRIVED HERE FRIDAY NIGHT AND LEFT YESTERDAY MORNING.

WERE GIVEN A CORDIAL WELCOME

Met at State Line by Local Citizens—Reception Given in Their Honor.

Cheered by hundreds of people lined up along Main street, the Jackson Highway pathfinders, consisting of W. H. Crim, of Salem, Ind.; W. G. Dent, of Bowling Green, Ky.; W. L. Brown, of Washington, D. C., and R. E. Toms, of Frankfort, Ind., reached Columbus about 9:30 o'clock Friday night, having been met at the State line by a special committee from this city. As assign to the people here that the scouts were a short distance from Columbus, the firebell was sounded and throngs of people gathered on the principal streets to welcome them.

Upon their arrival here the pathfinders were taken to the Hotel Gilmer, and after preparing themselves for the reception and ball given in their honor in the parlors of the hotel by the members of Bernard Romans Chapter, D. A. R., they in company with eight prominent local citizens went to the Bell Cafe, where a sumptuous dinner was enjoyed. They later returned to the Gilmer and took part in the reception and ball.

The pathfinders are en route from Nashville to New Orleans, selecting the proposed route for the Jackson Memorial Highway and will make a report at a meeting to be held in Nashville on November 10.

In conversation with a Commercial reporter, Mr. Crim, one of the engineers, stated: "The roads from Nashville to Columbus are much better than anticipated, and a highway, whether or not it be the Jackson Memorial Highway, is practically assured along this route between Nashville and New Orleans."

The party left Columbus shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning for Meridian where they will spend last night. Before leaving here they were carried over the city and shown interesting places here, among which were the Military street, the Industrial Institute and College and the many colonial homes located over the city.

## Carter Thanks Citizens.

To the Public: Thank you. Thank everybody for what they did to get the Jackson Highway. I do not see how it could have been done better. We made a fine impression upon the pathfinders and they were singing the praises of our city all the way to Macon. I'm sure they will never forget Columbus. They pronounced their reception and entertainment here as "Royal." Some of my friends were kind enough to say that some credit was due me for the way the stunt was pulled off. In this they were mistaken. It was all the result of team work, and good team work. I never called upon a citizen, man or woman that they did not get on the job at once and "deliver the goods." It's just what co-operation will do. When we pull together we do things. It was "bully, just bully." Please folks, don't quit. Let's get on the next job.

Yours for Lowndes county,  
W. H. CARTER  
Sec. Chamber of Commerce.

## WORLD FILM FEATURE MONDAY

And Paramount Tuesday at the Princess.

The attraction for Monday, October 18, is "The Butterfly," a modern drama in five reels, adapted from the famous novel by Kitchell Webster and acted by two big stars, Howard Esterbrook and the pretty little Barbara Tennant. It is an excellent picture. Admission 5 cents and 10 cents.

The Paramount attraction for Tuesday, October 19, is "The House of Lost Court," a modern society drama, in five reels, with magnificent settings, and beautiful gowns, featuring Viola Dana, and Duncan McRae, with a big supporting cast of well known stars, and artistic production in all respects, and guaranteed to please.

Admission for Tuesday: Children, 5 cents; adults, 15 cents.

Mr. C. W. Reynolds has just returned from a trip north. He says he visited seven states while away, but in no place did he find corn any better than he has on his place four miles east of the city. Mr. Reynolds has built up his land by fertilizing and has proven just what may be accomplished by the proper methods.

## MUCH INTEREST IN AUTOMOBILE TRIP

MORE THAN FIFTY CARS WILL PROBABLY BE ENTERED.

ROUTE INCLUDES THREE COUNTIES

Many Citizens Will Leave West Point and Aberdeen. Thursday to spend Day at

Probably one hundred automobiles will be entered in the "get-together" trip, which will be made to Clay and Monroe counties next Thursday by the good road boosters of Columbus.

The cars will leave here early in the morning so as to reach West Point at 11 o'clock. The people of that city are arranging a fine program to entertain those who will go on the trip. Shortly after dinner a ride will be taken over West Point, and the party will then go to Aberdeen, where another fine time will be shown the autoists. The crowd will return home late in the evening.

Mr. P. W. Maer, who is in charge of the trip, has received word from West Point and Aberdeen, stating that the people in both places are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the boosters.

Not only will Columbians make the trip, but quite a number of cars have been entered from Crawford, Brooksville and other nearby places.

A Free Education.  
Line of ladies' Coats and Suits on display Friday, the 22nd, at Simon Loeb & Bro.

Prof. W. A. Darden, of North Carolina, who has been engaged as an instructor in the department of English, arrived today. Prof. Darden took his A. B. degree from the University of North Carolina, his master's degree from Columbia University, and has been in the English department of the Brooklyn city high school for two years.

## Sessions to Go on Stage.

Hon. Will A. Sessions, of Jackson, made a short visit to Columbus the past week, stopping over here only a few hours.

Mr. Sessions' friends here are pleased to know that he has decided to give part of his time to the lecture platform. Those who know him well appreciate his superior ability as an impersonator and entertainer, and have urged him to give the public a chance to hear and enjoy his wonderful interpretations.

Mr. Sessions is genial and possesses a striking stage appearance, making him especially fitted for the art of entertaining.

## Card of Thanks.

I want to thank the many friends most heartily for assistance and sympathy shown during the recent bereavement that came into my home. Sympathy from loyal friends is a precious boon, and I take this method of showing my appreciation of all they did for me.

Sincerely,  
JOHN BORRIES.

Mr. M. W. Sharp, a former Columbian, who some time ago sold his paper, the Progress-Warden, at Europa, has again bought the plant and will again edit that paper.

## INJUNCTION AGAINST CITY DISSOLVED BY WOODWARD

CHANCELLOR DECIDES TRAFFIC ORDINANCE IN FAVOR OF COUNCILMEN.

Chancery court, which was in session several days the past week adjourned Friday.

One of the most important cases decided by Chancellor A. Y. Woodward was that of the injunction which was brought against the city some time ago restraining the enforcement of the traffic ordinance requiring all vehicles to go to the end of the block to make a turn. Judge Woodward believed that the inconvenience of a few would not be compared to the safety of many, and for this reason decided to dissolve the injunction.

In all probability the board of aldermen will modify the traffic ordinance to please the majority of the people.

Mr. T. A. H. Wood has leased one of the Keeler cottages on College street, and has moved his family there to reside.



—Danahay in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE

GIST OF NEWS FROM OVER THE COUNTRY GIVEN IN A BRIEF FORM.

Financial difficulties, declared to be traceable to the effects of the European war and also to the damage done by the recent hurricane, resulted in the appointment in civil district court in New Orleans of a receiver for the French Opera Association, limited, which owns the historic French opera house. The proceedings were voluntary.

George F. Stackpole, the lawyer of Riverhead, L. I., who was stricken with anthrax several days ago, died in Bellevue hospital in New York early Friday of heart failure, resulting from the poison of the disease.

Four hundred million dollars for national defense in increase of approximately \$140,000,000 over last year—constitutes the amount President Wilson and his advisers now estimate should be appropriated by the next Congress for the army and navy. The total value of the city of London's square miles is placed at about \$1,250,000,000.

The Spanish gunboat Ponce de Leon was sunk Thursday in a collision with the merchant vessel San Jose near Chipona, off the Spanish coast. The crew of the gunboat was saved.

## TERRY GETS CONTRACT TO GRADE MAIN STREET HILL

WORK WILL PROBABLY BE STARTED WITHIN THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

At a meeting of the city councilmen held yesterday morning the contract for grading the steep hill at the west approach of Main street was awarded to Mr. H. C. Terry, a prominent local contractor. Only two bids were made on the work, Mr. Terry having submitted a price of 29c per cubic yard for grading and \$1.11 per square yard for concrete work.

The work is to be started within the next ten days and is to be finished in forty days' time.

Don't Fail to See the Malleable Man at the Columbus Hardware and Furniture Company's store, October 27 to November 2. He will have lots of useful souvenirs for you free.

Notice U. C. V.  
Members of the Isham Harris Camp, U. C. V., are requested to meet at the city hall at 2 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of attending the funeral of our deceased brother, Major Dan M. Richards.

Jas. T. Harrison, Commander.  
C. L. Lincoln, Adjutant.

## Burns a Candidate.

Upon the solicitation of his friends, Mr. John A. Burns has consented to enter the race for the position of councilman of ward 2, recently made vacant by the death of Mr. John Snell.

For many years Mr. Burns has been in business in Columbus and he feels that he is in every way qualified to look after the people's interest in his ward. He owns property in the city, and will therefore take a special interest in matters pertaining to the upbuilding of the city.

Should he be elected he will do his best to please his constituents.

## THOMAS EXPECTS A LARGE YIELD FROM PECAN GROVE

PASTOR HAS 450 TREES SEVERAL MILES SOUTHEAST OF COLUMBUS.

Rev. J. E. Thomas, formerly presiding elder of the First Methodist church in this city, who is now pastor at Itta Bena, has a pecan grove on his plantation seven and one half miles south of Columbus that is each year steadily increasing its yield, and this fall he expects a large and profitable crop.

Several years ago Rev. Thomas realized that there was money in pecans and set out 450 trees, a large number of which are now bearing.

During the past week Rev. Thomas brought to the city several bushels of nuts, extra fine in quality. A beautiful display of the year's crop is on exhibition at Rolston & Company's grocery store.

## ANOTHER VETERAN HAS BEEN CALLED TO FINAL REWARD

MAJOR DAN. M. RICHARDS DIES AFTER LONG AND USEFUL LIFE—FUNERAL TODAY.

Major Dan M. Richards, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of Columbus, passed away at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon at his home, 403 South Ninth street. He had been in failing health for some time past, and while his death was not unexpected, it was a great shock to his loved ones and many friends.

Funeral services will be held from the First Baptist church this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. J. L. Viperman officiating. The following friends will act as pallbearers: Messrs. Jno. S. Robertson, W. C. Beard, J. L. Walker, Simon Loeb, E. B. Beard, Col. W. D. Humphries, Col. C. L. Lincoln and Gen. E. T. Sykes.

Major Richards was 84 years of age. He was born in Pickens county, Ala. He went to the front in the Civil war and was put in command of Company E, Twenty-Fifth Alabama Regiment. On account of his loyalty and bravery, he was made major in the same regiment. Deceased came to Columbus in 1865 and was married to Miss Sarah Richardson. He was at one time mayor and city alderman of Columbus, and during that time led the prohibition fight here. For many years he was a local merchant and when he retired several years ago he had been doing business longer than any other firm in Columbus. He was a member of Isham Harrison Camp, U. C. V., and delighted to attend the reunions. He was a consistent member of the Baptist church, and was ever conscientious in the discharge of all duties incumbent upon him. Mr. Richards was indeed one of God's noblemen, and his high standard will be a guide for the splendid young sons, as well as other relatives and friends who survive him. Besides a devoted wife, he leaves five sons: Messrs. D. D. Richards, W. W. Richards, Dr. C. C. Richards, of Marlow, Okla., J. J. Richards, and E. E. Richards, all of whom have genuine sympathy from The Commercial.

Many handsome floral offerings have been sent as a testimony of the love and esteem in which he was held.

## FORMER COLUMBUS GIRL ENDS LIFE AT OXFORD

MRS. C. C. HAMBY IS FOUND AT BOARDING HOUSE WITH REVOLVER WOUND.

Mrs. C. C. Hamby, a pretty 18-year-old girl, and a former Columbian, was found last Wednesday morning in a boarding house at Oxford in a seriously wounded condition, and by her side was a .38-caliber H. & R. revolver. Twelve hours later she passed away. It is said that friends she confided her reasons for the act. For several hours it was impossible to get her to admit that the shooting was done with suicidal intent, but before she died she admitted she had tried to end her life, and that she had committed the rash act before entertaining a second thought. Reports from a revolver brought the neighboring roomers to the scene where the young lady was found lying on the floor.

Mrs. Hamby was formerly Miss Vause, and was a daughter of Mrs. Pearl Vause, of this city. The remains were brought here Thursday afternoon and funeral services were held upon the arrival of the 2 o'clock Southern train, conducted by Rev. J. L. Viperman, pastor of the First Baptist church. Interment took place at Friendship cemetery.

Attend Sunday school today.

## ENGLAND DECLARES WAR ON THE BULGARIANS

AUSTRO-GERMAN INVASION OF SERBIAN TERRITORY CONTINUES METHODICALLY.

London, Oct. 15.—Great Britain has declared war on Bulgaria. The British foreign office announces that in view of the fact that Bulgaria has announced she is at war with Serbia and is an ally of the central powers, his majesty's government has informed the Bulgarian government through the Swedish minister at London, who is in charge of Bulgarian interests, that a state of war exists between Great Britain and Bulgaria from 10 p. m.

From all the main battle fronts comes news of continued fighting but there are no indications of victories which would change the general situation.

The Austrians, Germans and Bulgarians are proceeding methodically with their invasion of Serbia, which, according to neutral reports, is costing them a heavy loss of life, as the hardened veterans of Serbia are taking every advantage of the difficult country to inflict the greatest possible harm on the invaders.

## Lipsey for Councilman.

In this issue of The Commercial Mr. John A. Lipsey announces as a candidate for city councilman of ward 2, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. John Snell, who recently died.

Mr. Lipsey is in every way qualified to hold the position as alderman. He owns property in the city, and has an interest in one of the largest dry goods firms here. His broad experience makes him eminently fitted for the position to which he aspires. He is asking his friends to give his candidacy a fair consideration, and The Commercial feels that if he is elected he will fill the place with honor.

## CORN CLUB BOYS GIVE EXHIBITION

PRIZES ARE AWARDED FOR BEST DISPLAYS HERE YESTERDAY

MEMBERS MAKE FINE SHOWING

Grand Prize is Won by Merckel Duke, Who Resides Near New Salem.

The exhibit of the Lowndes County Corn Club, which was made yesterday in the Mayo Drug Company building, would have done credit to any section of the country. It far surpassed anything of its kind ever seen in Lowndes county, and shows that the boys of this county are wide awake and full of pluck and energy. The local corn club was organized several years ago by Prof. H. G. Hull, whose efforts and encouragement have stimulated the members to greater achievement. During the past year Prof. H. G. McGowan has been president of the club, and through his efficient and untiring efforts the splendid exhibit was made yesterday.

The program that was to have been given at the court house was omitted because one of the prominent speakers was unable to reach the city.

The prizes for the displays were awarded by Prof. J. T. West, of the A. and M. College, and Messrs. Dudley Watson, Frank Armstrong and Cleo Wood received the exhibits and placed them on display.

The grand prize for the best yield at the lowest cost was awarded to Merckel Duke, of New Salem, and he will be given the trip to the State Fair at Jackson. Marvin Griffin was second, Joe Wright, third, and Melvin Lance, fourth, each of whom will receive prizes.

Other awards were as follows: Best ten ears—Joe Wright, first; Otto Lance, second; Cayce Lawrence, third; Stephen Slaughter, fourth. Best bushel—Nelson Waters, first; Otto Lance, second; Leland Cain, third; Stephen Slaughter, fourth. Best ear—Stephen Slaughter, first; Gabe Franks, second; James Leech, third; Marion Cooper, fourth. Best stalk—Gabe Franks, first; Earl Laves, second; Sam Daves, third; Nelson Waters, fourth. Father's crib—Riley Shackelford, first; Harold Hall, second; Wavey Cole, third.

## Modern Woodmen Meet.

At a call meeting of the members of the Modern Woodmen of America, held Tuesday evening, Messrs. F. H. Stotzer and J. G. Pennington were initiated as members of Columbus Camp, No. 15,916.

Regular meetings of this camp are held on the first and third Friday nights of the month at W. O. W. Hall. The membership of the Modern Woodmen in Columbus is steadily increasing as well as the attendance at each meeting.

## Great Free Attraction—The Malleable Man.

Will be here October 22 to November 2, inclusive, to demonstrate the celebrated South Bend Malleable Range, at the Columbus Hardware and Furniture Co.

Seats for "The Winning of Barbara Worth," will go on sale at Street's Drug Store Tuesday morning.

## PORT COLLECTOR FRANKLIN HERE ON A SHORT VISIT

MET AT ARTESIA BY PARTY OF FRIENDS—NOW STATIONED AT HONOLULU.

Hon. Malcomb Franklin's friends are glad to see him again on the streets of Columbus, and he is kept busy from morning till night shaking hands with friends and acquaintances.

Mr. Franklin went to Hawaii about a year ago to accept a position as collector of customs for the port of Honolulu, and he has filled this position with credit, exhibiting tact and wisdom in administering the affairs of this office. He came by the way of New York and Washington, and was met at Artesia by a party of friends, including his brother, Hon. T. B. Franklin, Mr. B. A. Weaver, Mr. D. S. McClanahan, P. W. Maer and J. H. Bricknell.

Mr. Franklin came to the United States on business and is spending a few days here en route back to Hawaii.

## START MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN TUESDAY

MASS MEETING WILL BE HELD MONDAY NIGHT AT CITY HALL

OUT-OF-TOWN MEN WILL SPEAK HERE

Chamber of Commerce Members Arranging to Launch Progressive Campaign.

All preparations have been completed by the Chamber of Commerce for the opening of the membership campaign on Tuesday morning, when eight teams of four men each will scatter out over the city on the mission of "city salesmanship." During the past two weeks the offices of the organization have been busy in preparation for the campaign. Group meetings have been held, preliminary publicity has been gotten out and in the opinion of the campaign manager everything is in readiness.

The campaign will open formally tomorrow evening at the City Hall with a general mass meeting of citizens. Two good out-of-town speakers have been secured and along with some local men should provide enough meat for thought at the meeting. It is stated that no subscriptions would be asked for at the mass meeting.

The speakers will be Rabbi Abram Brill, of Meridian, Miss., and Bruce Kennedy, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Montgomery, Ala. Both these gentlemen are able speakers, having had a wide experience in civic matters and consequently a fund of knowledge and thought on which to draw for their talks.

Memberships in the new Chamber of Commerce will be signed up on a \$12.50 basis as a minimum. The directors of the organization having in mind the securing of memberships from the larger concerns and individuals in the community on a multiple basis of the \$12.50. Memberships will also be secured for a period of three years during the coming campaign. This will do away with repeated campaigns every year and as the organization will be engaged in solid constructive work for a long period it is necessary to have secured for its operation a stated sum of funds for the operation.

Following will be found the names of some cities whose trade bodies have rebuilt, together with the cost of membership and the income of the organization from membership sources. The local organization has set as its object in the way of funds \$5,000 per year for a three-year period. Compared with other cities of this size it will be found that their aim is nothing unreasonable.

City	Population	Income
Sweetwater, Tex.	4,176	\$ 4,800
Somerset, Ky.	4,500	3,750
Sullivan, Ind.	4,200	4,200
Griffin, Ga.	7,600	4,000
Grand Haven, Mich.	6,600	8,200
Bloomington, Ind.	8,858	7,600
Columbus, Ind.	9,000	8,000
Bluefield, W. Va.	11,188	7,500
Olean, N. Y.	14,743	13,000
Columbus, Ga.	12,250	2,000

There is no doubt but what the desired sum will be secured. However, funds are not the real object of this campaign. The real meaning back of it is co-operation. It is the desire of the board to arouse the interest of the people of the community. It is believed that by securing memberships in a systematic way the first interest can be aroused and with the new plans that are being placed in operation it is the intention to increase and build up this interest.

The following is a line-up of the men who will conduct the campaign on the four days of next week:

Division No. 1—L. I. Kaufman, General.  
Team No. 1—R. E. Johnston, captain; Brooks McGowan, alternate; Henry Beard, R. E. Leigh.

Team No. 2—W. W. Moss, captain; R. R. Banks, alternate; Geo. Senter, W. C. Gunter.

Team No. 3—L. Divilbiss, captain; R. Neuman, alternate; Chas. Hale, W. Stevens.

Team No. 4—Dr. John Oliver, captain; J. T. Sanford, alternate; M. E. White, J. H. Beard.

Division No. 2—V. B. Imes, general.

Team No. 1—W. E. Kennedy, captain; Brooks McGowan, alternate; C. Neyman, J. P. Keith.

Team No. 2—A. Loeb, captain; A. Chapsky, alternate; Walter Phillips, Ted Smith.

Team No. 3—S. B. Street, captain; Thos. J. Locke, Jr., alternate; J. W. Lipscomb, P. R. Simms.

Team No. 4—H. Gunter, captain; P. Wakefield, alternate; T. A. McGahay, Henry Sherrard.